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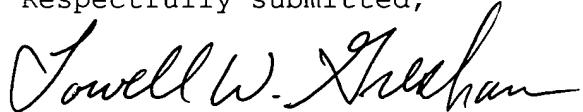
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Your applicants, Carl C. Brittain, Mark E. Orth, and Wayne D. Wilcoxon, inventors of the present patent application *Clamp for a Vibration Damper and Method of Installing Same*, which is submitted concurrently herewith (M&G 2236-140CON), in accordance with 37 C.F.R. S1.56, submit the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The above-identified application is a continuation of *"Clamp for a Vibration Damper and Method of Installing Same,"* filed 30 January 2003, Serial No. 10/356,086, which is relied upon under 35 U.S.C. 120 for an earlier filing date. All documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 are of record in the parent application. Thus, copies are omitted herewith as set forth in 37 CFR 1.98(d).

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